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pressure, and makes his forecasts. The forecasts are transmitted, mostly by telephone, to the broadcasting stations, the German Railways, agriculture and forestry agencies, inland navigation, construction firms, and other interested agencies. The state meteorological stations have charge of the road weather service and the frost and storm warning service. For inland shipping, the water levels, water temperatures, directions and forces of winds are daily measured and the weather forecasts are transmitted at 7 a.m. and at 7 p.m. High-sea shipping is given all pertinent information by the coastal meteorological stations and lightships.

5. The ZOP has issued an order that the new international weather code is to be used in the Soviet zone of Germany effective 1 January 1950. In the DRESDEN state meteorological station it was arranged that the main synoptical reports are to be enciphered in two parallel codes for the months of August, November and December. The reports are to be transmitted to the state meteorological station to be checked.
6. As far as was known, the Soviets were operating their own army weather stations only during the first year of occupation. They now use the German weather service almost entirely, airfields being the only exception. For instance, a Soviet weather station is being maintained, independent of the German weather service, at the DRESDEN-KLOTZSCHE (N 52/F 29) airfield. The German weather reports are, however, transmitted to the Soviets via the ZOP and also used by the Soviet Air Force. The "warning reports" of the German weather stations are particularly drawn up for the Soviet Air Force. Whether the Soviets are operating a special service of their own for shipping was not known, but can be assumed.

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